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**"TALENT's" REACTIONS TO REFUSAL OF LARGE-SCALE AID.**

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ANTON<sup>[i]</sup> has informed TALENT [TALANT]<sup>[ii]</sup> of the impossibility of large-scale one-time aid. Just as we expected, TALENT took this announcement exceptionally morbidly. TALENT considers that his request has not been conveyed to the leadership [RUKOVODSTVO] of the HOUSE [DOM]<sup>[iii]</sup>. He declared that the refusal to help him set up a laboratory or manufacturing business has been repeated several times. He had addressed himself to *approached* GENNADIJ<sup>[iv]</sup>, STOCK [SHTOK]<sup>[v]</sup> and ANTON. With irritation he stated that the materials handed over by him on one question alone - oil, by his estimate had yielded the Union a saving of millions during past years and the aid requested by him was trifling. In a lengthy talk he said that his help to us was the result of his views on the Union and that he would meet us *seriously* [.] He emphasised that in future he *reckons* to have extensive dealings with people and firms and consequently it is impossible to expect much help from him. If he received information about the prospect of work [8 groups unrecovered] impossible, he will regard this as an attempt to get rid of him altogether. We shall continue meetings.

*See attached amendment*No. 334  
4th May 1944MAY [MAJ]<sup>[vi]</sup>

[Comments overleaf]

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- Comments: [i] ANTON: Leonid Romanovich KVASNIKOV.
- as, [ii] TALANT: William Marias MALISOFF.
- 19 Dec '50  
of 4 [iii] DOM: unidentified. Probably an MGB authoritative  
body in MOSCOW.
- W. H. L.  
Sept '51 [iv] GENNADIJ: unidentified. This reference confirms  
that the covername GENNADIJ was used by an operation-  
al worker in the NEW YORK area as well as by the  
MOSCOW signatory who is thought to have been  
VIKTOR's deputy. Gajk Badalovich OVAKIM Y. II.
- [v] SHOK: Mikhail A. SHALYAPIN.
- [vi] MAJ: probably Stepan Zakharovich APRESYAN.

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